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September 2, 1959

Dr. Joshua Lederberg
Head, Department of Genetics
Stanford University School of Medicine
Palo Alto, California

Dear Dr. Lederberg:

We have been requested by the National Junior Chamber of Commerce to submit the name of a candidate to receive one of the awards of the Nation's Ten Outstanding Young Men. As you may know, this award is given annually to those men whose exceptional achievement has been significant to their profession, community, state or nation. The ten men selected are chosen from those who have been nominated by individuals, organizations, institutions, companies or associations.

Aware of your significant contributions to the field of genetics, we would be very pleased to submit your name for this honor. If we have your permission to do so, would you be so kind as to provide us with information we need for filling out the nomination form? For your convenience, I have enclosed what biographical details I was able to assemble. Please make any corrections, additions, or deletions you wish. It would be very helpful to have information on your career, including background data and the scope of your work. Furthermore, a list of your awards, honors, grants and publications will be needed. Finally, statements from authorities regarding your work would be of great assistance.

We must submit your nomination to the National Junior Chamber of Commerce National Headquarters no later than September 15; and in order to save time, I have enclosed the nomination form for your signature. We will fill in the information you provide. Please use the enclosed air mail special delivery envelope for the return of the form to us.

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Obviously, there is not much time, so we would appreciate hearing from you at your earliest convenience regarding your decision. I hope that we may have the honor of presenting your name.

Sincerely yours,

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A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Gene E. McCormick".

Gene E. McCormick
Public Relations Representative

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